

**REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

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Application No. 09/712,182
Filing Date: November 15, 2000
First Inventor: Suzuki et al.
Art Unit: 1752
Examiner: Y. Thornton
Attny Dckt No. 46254

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- ii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☒ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of **three (3) months**. Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i).
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

☐ Fee Calculation After Amendment (see attached Amendment)

| | | | | | Calculation | |
|---|--|------------|--|-----------------|-------------|----------|
| Total Effective Claims | | minus 20 = | | x \$18/\$9 | = | \$0 |
| Independent Claims | | minus 3 = | | x \$84/\$42 | = | \$0 |
| If any proper (ignore improper) Multiple Dependent claim is present, | | | | add \$280/\$140 | | +0 |
| RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) | | | | add \$750/\$375 | | \$750.00 |
| Suspension of Action fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) | | | | add \$130 | | \$130.00 |
| Extension fee for 2 month(s) less previous paid extension fee of \$0.00 | | | | | | \$410.00 |
| Other: | | | | | | |

TOTAL FEE ATTACHED: \$1,290.00

Our Deposit Account No. 50-0687; Our Order No. 46254

CHARGE STATEMENT: The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee specifically authorized hereafter, or any missing or insufficient fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith or concerning any paper filed hereafter, and which may be required under Rules 16-18 (missing or insufficiencies only) now or hereafter relative to this application and the resulting Official Document under Rule 20, or credit any overpayment, to our Accounting/Order Nos. shown above, for which purpose a duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

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01 FC:1801 RCE 750.00 DP
02 FC:1460 R+ 130.00 DP
03 FC:1252 410.00 DP

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NOTE: File this cover sheet in duplicate with PTO receipt (PAT-103A) and attachments